
Title: Scarlett of Rhinemoor

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There once was a poor peasant girl. She was one poorer than most, but she had an optimism nobody could ever question. It was never a feat for her to put a smile on and even in the worst of times, Scarlett stayed as cheerful as anyone would ever wish. There was a boy this girl fell in love with, twas not long before fate had it's way and they were parted. Scarlett tried to smile, but she couldn't. Not a soul could change this, not even her parents. Poor Scarlett seemed as miserable as could be. It wasn't long before she found out that he had inherited much land. The man had become rich beyond imagination because his uncle, the Count of Rhinemoor had fallen victim to a most unsightly illness. The poor boy, as depressed as he was, became happy at the thought that he would become richer than many. That he, a young boy, could be someone of importance. That had been his wish. He never doubted himself and became cocky as ever. He didn't politely greet people any longer. He shoved them out of the way and expected the respect of a king wherever he should go. This young man, named

Jonathan, never even once remembered the poor girl who longed to see his face so much. Scarlett never slept, yet Sir Jonathan slept on sheets of silk. Young Scarlett was deprived, yet Sir Jonathan got anything he could've ever dreamed of. One was miserable, the other was living the life anyone could have ever dreamed of.

One day, young Scarlett got news of Sir Jonathan's location and set out on horseback to find the young man and tell her how things have been going ever since the day they parted. The young man simply dismissed her as soon as she walked through the door.

The two men he had hired to guard the estate asked what should be done with her, and Sir Jonathan dismissed the sadness on her face and sentenced her to death. The guards had her executed and the young lady died, crying out the egotistical boy's name. Scarlett met her demise because of what the money and riches had done to the boy. It turned him into a foul beast who fell in love with himself and material things.

This change costed the life of the only one who ever loved him. And he never even thought about the poor peasant girl until the very day he lay on his death bed. That was the day he thought about the young girl. He asked the guards what happened to her, and Jonathan soon found out

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